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## NEWS

### Air Pollution

#### [EPA Questions Cross-State Ruling's Effect on Settlement](#)

The Environmental Protection Agency is seeking comment on whether a recent federal appeals court decision on state emissions budgets under the agency's cross-state air pollution rule has any effect on a proposed settlement with the...

### Chemicals

#### [EPA's Proposed Trichloroethylene Rule Published](#)

A proposed rule that would require companies to notify the Environmental Protection Agency 90 days before they plan to make or process trichloroethylene (TCE) for use in some consumer products was published in the Federal Register Aug. 7 (80...

### Chesapeake Bay

#### [Bay Farm Group Seeks 'Regionally Neutral' Nutrient Plan](#)

A coalition of farmers operating on the land east of the Chesapeake Bay will work with the entire agriculture community to reduce nutrient runoff enough by 2025 to result in a "regionally neutral" pollution impact on Chesapeake Bay....

### Climate Change

#### [Eroding Permafrost Carbon Transferring to Arctic Ocean: Study](#)

Canada's Mackenzie River can erode soils along its path, some from places where Arctic permafrost is melting and wash that biosphere-derived material and the organic carbon within it into the Arctic Ocean, preventing the degradation...

### Climate Regulation

#### [EPA Argues Statute Clear in Clean Power Plan Defense](#)

The Environmental Protection Agency in its final Clean Power Plan sought to short circuit

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arguments against the carbon dioxide standards as opponents of the rule press judges to quickly take up their legal challenges....

#### Elections

##### Fiery Republican Debate Stays Cool on Climate

Climate change never came up, and energy issues got little more than a passing mention from the top-10 polling Republican presidential candidates during their party's first debate Aug. 6....

#### Energy

##### Blenders May Fall Out of Mix on Biodiesel Tax Credit

Companies that blend small amounts of biodiesel into fuel may lose out on a federal tax credit when Congress renews expired tax provisions later in 2015....

#### Energy

##### Pallone: Democrats Seen Supporting House Energy Bill

Energy legislation being crafted in the House is likely to garner plenty of Democratic support when it reaches the House floor, Rep. Frank Pallone (D-N.J.), the top Democrat on the House Energy and Commerce Committee, said....

#### Enforcement

##### China Ramps Up Air, Soil, Water Pollution Monitoring

China's environmental authorities assessed 236 million yuan (\$38 million) in daily accumulating penalties in 292 separate cases in the first half of 2015, the Ministry of Environmental Protection reported Aug. 7....

#### Enforcement

##### Clean Water Act Violations Cost Caltrans, Contractor

California's Department of Transportation and a construction company will pay a combined \$160,000 for illegally discharging sediment, diesel fuel and other contaminants to Shasta Lake, under a pair of proposed settlements with the...

#### Mining

##### EPA Triggers Mine Waste Release Into Animas River

The Environmental Protection Agency accidentally triggered a 1 million gallon release of toxic mine waste water into a tributary of the Animas River in southwest Colorado, sending an orange-tinted pulse of contaminated water, sediment...

#### Nanotechnology

##### Industry Urges EPA to Redo Nano Chemical Rule

The Environmental Protection Agency does not have the legal authority to require chemical manufacturers and processors to report information the agency sought to obtain under a proposed data-collection rule for nanoscale chemicals, industry...

#### Oceans

##### China Falling Short of Desalination Rate Goals

China is less than halfway to reaching its goal of desalinating 2 million cubic meters of seawater a day by the end of 2015, according to a report the State Oceanic Administration (SOA) released Aug. 6. ...

#### Oil Spills

##### N.J. Ruling Tanks Neighbor's Oil Migration Case

A New Jersey homeowner is out of luck after the New Jersey Supreme Court rejected his tort claims stemming from a heating oil spill that migrated from a neighbor's underground tank and damaged his property (Ross v. Lowitz, 2015 BL 252147,...

## Pipeline Safety

### Activists Urge Inspections of Offshore Calif. Pipelines

An environmental advocacy group asked federal regulators to inspect all pipelines in federal and state waters off the coast of California....

## Pipeline Safety

### PHMSA Outlines Work to Address Pipeline Response Gaps

Improvements in training, engagement and leveraging of existing resources are under way to address gaps in pipeline emergency response efforts, federal regulators told Congress....

## Solid Waste

### TVA Ordered to Address All Coal Disposal Sites

The Tennessee Valley Authority must evaluate and, if necessary, clean up all of its coal ash disposal sites in Tennessee....

## Water Pollution

### D.C. Proposes Stormwater Cleanup Deadline of 2154

The District of Columbia proposed a cleanup plan that gives the city 139 years to eliminate illegal discharges from its municipal separate stormwater system (MS4). ...

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